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**Request
for
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

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Application Number	10/721,723
Filing Date	November 25, 2003
First Named Inventor	Michael P. Corcoran
Art Unit	3734
Examiner Name	Kevin Thao Truong
Attorney Docket Number	C516.12-0005
Express Mail No.	EM299373730US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☒ Other The Amendment After Final filed February 9, 2009
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0982.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 405.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO 2038 enclosed)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Signature		Date	March 27, 2009
Name (Print/Type)	Carolyn H. Beck	Registration No.	57,588

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Total Amount of Payment **\$405.00****METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)**

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No.11-0982. Deposit Account Name: Kinney & Lange, P.A.

2. ☒ Check Enclosed

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

	FILING FEE	SEARCH FEES	EXAM FEES	
Appn. Type	FEE/SMALL	FEE/SMALL	FEE/SMALL	FEES PD.
Utility	330 / 165	540 / 275	220 / 110	
Design	220 / 110	100 / 50	140 / 70	
Reissue	330 / 165	540 / 270	650 / 325	
Provisional	220 / 110	-0- / -0-	-0- / -0-	

Subtotal (1) \$ **-0-****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Number Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee from Fee Paid Below
Total	-	=	X	=
Indep.	-	=	X	=
Multiple Dependent Claims				=

Insert 3 and 20, or number previously paid if greater; Reissue see below

Large Entity		Small Entity		Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	52	2202	26	Claims in excess of 20
1201	220	2201	110	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	390	2203	195	Multiple Dependent Claim
1204	220	2204	110	Reissue Independent Claims Over Original Patent
1205	52	2205	26	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$270 (\$135 small) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 C.F.R. 1.16(s). **\$-0-**

Subtotal (2) **\$-0-****Complete if Known**

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FEE CALCULATION (Continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	—
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	—
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	—
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination	—
1251	130	2251	65	Extension for reply within first month	—
1252	490	2252	245	Extension for reply within second month	—
1253	1,110	2253	555	Extension for reply within third month	—
1254	1,730	2254	865	Extension for reply within fourth month	—
1255	2,350	2255	1,175	Extension for reply within fifth month	—
1402	540	2402	270	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	—
1403	1,080	2403	540	Request for oral hearing	—
1814	140	2814	70	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	—
1452	540	2452	270	Petition to revive - unavoidable	—
1453	1,620	2453	810	Petition to revive - unintentional	—
1501	1,510	2501	755	Utility/Reissue issue fee	—
1502	860	2502	430	Design issue fee	—
1464	130	1464	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	—
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	—
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	—
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	—
1801	810	2801	405	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	405

Other fee (specify) _____

Subtotal (3) \$ **405.00**

Signature

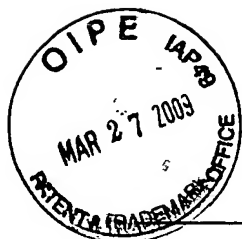
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Title : LEFT ATRIAN APPENDAGE CLOSURE
DEVICE

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The following papers are being transmitted via **EXPRESS MAIL** to the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below:

1. Fee Transmittal with attached check for 405.00;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Respectfully submitted,

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